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APPLICANTS: Kanikanti, *et al.*

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TITLE: Multiple Unit Controlled Food Effect-Independent Release  
Pharmaceutical Preparations and Method for Preparing the Same

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Box PCT  
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Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted in the national stage application for PCT/EP99/06882. Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 9-11.